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LIST OF OFFICERS

Town Clerk, OTIS F. BROWN

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health,

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON GEORGE H. GIBNEY

GEORGE E. SAFFORD

Treasurer, DANIEL E. SAFFORD

School Committee,

GEORGE K. KNOWLTON JESSE G. NICHOLS

ALBERT L. WHIPPLE

Collector of Taxes, CHARLES W. APPLETON

Auditor, ALBERT D. FOSTER

Constables.

ALBERT T. POOLE GEORGE E. ROBERTS

CHAS. E. WHIPPLE CHAS. H. SMITH

Tree Warden, OTIS F. BROWN

Keeper of Lockup, EDWIN L. MORSE

Trustees of Public Library,

GEORGE V. L. MEYER

AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER JESSE G. NICHOLS

ANNUAL REPORT

Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Cash in Treasury March 1, 1902	\$7,925 32
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Corporation tax	4,202 06
National Bank tax	691 72
State Aid reimbursed	394 00
Military Aid reimbursed	36 00
Street Railway tax	1,075 81
Income from Mass. school fund	588 08
Amount received from sale of stone from South school house	57 50
Loan from Ipswich Savings Bank in anticipation of taxes	8,000 00
Rent of Town Hall	65 00
Amount of dog licenses received from County Treasurer	220 61
Sale of school sundries	12 38
Amount received from Collector of Taxes for 1900	650 79
Amount received from Collector of Taxes for 1901	17,107 15
Amount received from Central District hay scales	2 15
“ “ West “ “	4 94
Cash received from executor of will of Julia A. Allen as fund for preservation and care of burial lot	300 00

Sale of burial lots	70 00
Druggist's license	1 00
Amount received from use of steam roller	302 00
Victualler's license	9 00
Cash on account of compensation of inspector of animals and provisions	17 19
Rebate on assessor's salary	3 00
Fees from District Court	5 47
Rebate on Amos Hatt's order	2 00

\$41,743 17

PAYMENTS

Paid on principal of Town Hall and school house loan	\$2,150 00
interest on said loan	959 00
loan in anticipation of taxes	8,000 00
interest on said loan	145 31
county tax	2,188 83
state tax	1,435 00
constable's fees	13 80
Amount of appropriation paid to A. P. Gard- ner, treasurer of Public Library	300 00
school warrants	6,607 57
state aid	386 00
military aid	66 00
orders of Selectmen	13,476 64
Deposited in Ipswich Savings Bank for care of Daniel S. Allen's burial lot	300 00
repairs on state highway, chap. 84, sec. 37, Public Statutes	3 28

\$36,031 43

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

CHARLES E. WHIPPLE, Superintendent of Streets

Paid Charles E. Whipple	\$ 1,064 50
J. W. Hayes	1 25
Philip Thereau	19 80
Alfred Melanson	28 40
Isaac F. Knowlton	21 60
G. A. Dodge	66 00
G. D. Babcock	116 40
Philip Melanson	38 80
Joseph Knowlton	29 70
E. P. Foster	2 00
John Wright	14 50
Arthur Bishop	12 20
George H. Gibney	21 60
Alvin Smith	60 70
E. D. Lovett	165 90
Jerry F. Hawkins	5 70
C. W. Ingalls	44 10
Patrick Curran	159 20
Forest L. Knowlton	52 20
H. W. Morgan	58 00
Allen R. Seeley	3 60
Fred Berry	110 20
Chas. Melanson	119 30
Ed. Robechieu	80 60
D. LeBlanch	20 70
Vincent Burrage	21 20
Simeon Comeau	46 40
Chas. McQuinlan	10 00
James Morgan	22 40
Wm. H. Taylor	10 00
Emerson A. Whipple	228 45
George M. Adams	147 80
Wm. Perry	9 00

Paid Peter Silus	\$ 51 30
Fred Gill	61 20
Fred Douga	61 20
Joseph Sweeney	48 60
Cain Lawton	17 10
Andrew McGavel	11 70
Chas. W. Hallett	378 04
George B. Knowlton	5 40
Enos Martin	21 60
John C. Sauer	35 60
J. C. Underhill	84 60
Emery A. Lawrence	64 80
O. F. Brown	91 50
Francis Dodge	14 40
C. S. Gwinn	99 02
Edwin Barker	46 90
George R. Dodge	3 60
B. E. Dodge	10 80
Horace E. Dodge	22 40
Chas E. Perkins	6 30
Joseph Bridges	5 40
Omer Landew	3 60
Henry Carey	30 00
A. D. Wallace	2 70
J. H. Whipple	120 80
Ed. Russell	1 80
Dennis Mullen	1 80
Peter Porter	17 40
Wm. J. Abbott	12 60
Theodore F. Cogswell	11 58
Jonathan Lamson	28 80
Wm. A. Smith	2 10
Wm. H. Dodge	18 70
Wm. Messervy	16 20
Jos. A. Tucker	3 00
A. B. Chadwick	6 04
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	\$ 4,230 78

REMOVING SNOW

CHARLES E. WHIPPLE, Superintendent of Streets

Paid J. E. Melanson	\$ 5 40
John Wright	9 00
O. Sousa	2 60
P. Garrett	3 60
J. McGrath	2 60
George H. Gibney	24 60
George Bridges,	3 20
Ed. McGregor	4 10
H. Bishop	5 20
C. E. Whipple	95 90
A. A. Dodge	12 80
E. Berry	4 20
George H. Dodge	4 40
J. F. Hawkins	3 60
C. W. Ingalls	3 60
F. L. Knowlton	3 60
Allen Seeley	3 60
George D. Babcock	3 60
H. W. Morgan	3 60
P. Curran	3 60
D. Bordeau	2 60
C. S. Gwinn	45 70
H. Carey	9 20
A. E. Whipple	4 60
F. Dane	5 00
E. L. Morse	2 25
A. D. Wallace	6 40
E. D. Lovett	29 30
H. T. Rogers	1 60
Chas. Rogers	4 00
E. A. Whipple	16 20
James Morgan	14 40
Charles Kinsman	10 60

Paid E. R. Stone	\$ 6 00
Edgar Pitman	7 50
James Pitman	9 00
Joseph Pitman	80
Ernest Pitman	7 05
Wallace H. Knowlton	1 05
O. P. Thompson	7 80
John Burchstead	11 60
Frank McDonald	1 50
John B. Stone	10 00
F. M. Whipple	15 00
Wm. Morse	15 00
James A. Garland	21 80
E. A. Lawrence	43 50
Alvin Smith	13 80
W. H. Dodge	1 40
John C. Sauer	5 20
George M. Adams	25 60
A. B. Richardson	3 90
Wm. Messervey	5 90
C. A. Hobbs	1 00
Francis Dodge	2 80
B. E. Dodge	3 00
H. E. Dodge	2 80
Isaac F. Knowlton	15 00
Fred Berry	8 40
Lester M. Whipple	2 00
P. H. Benvie	1 20
S. Ayers	1 50
S. E. McLaughlin	2 60
C. H. Smith	2 00
A. T. Lougee	3 20
F. E. Jackson	1 30
Newhall Burnham	1 80

\$ 616 65

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Paid E. D. Lovett, lighting Willowdale bridge	\$ 10 85
C. A. Peterson, repairs on Willowdale bridge	66 21
J. M. Purington, care of lanterns	17 00
C. H. Rollins, building piers, Willowdale bridge	188 50
American Bridge Co., building bridge	400 00
C. E. Whipple, labor on bridge, etc.	23 90
“ “ lumber	2 00
“ “ cement	2 00
“ “ two loads stone	2 00
Chas. Melanson, labor	1 80
Patrick Curran, “	4 00
George D. Babcock, “	3 60
Chas. W. Ingalls, “	1 80
F. J. Dearborn, care lanterns Willowdale bridge	6 85
H. J. Barton, stone for Willowdale bridge	13 00
Geo. M. Adams, “ “ “ “	11 00

\$ 754 51

STEAM ROLLER

Paid C. A. Claflin & Co., supplies	\$ 16 00
Buffalo, Pitts & Co., roller repairs	16 82
Paul B. Patten, “ “	1 10
A. E. Potter, coal and repairs steam roller	6 03
E. L. Morse, repairs	1 90
J. C. Underhill, coal	61 41
A. W. Chesterton, supplies	16 26
I. F. Knowlton, “	3 00

\$ 122 52

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR STREET WATERING

Paid G. H. Gibney, use of water cart	\$ 26 50
Geo. W. Fitz, pump, tank, etc.,	117 21
C. E. Whipple, sprinkling streets	280 00
A. C. Cummings, sprinkling streets	71 90
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	\$ 495 61

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR SIDEWALKS

Paid C. E. Whipple	\$ 121 60
Patrick Curran	46 00
George D. Babcock	7 20
Simeon Mereau	16 20
Wm. J. Abbott	18 00
Chas. Melanson	14 40
Harry Morgan	18 00
Jerry Hawkins	3 60
Chas. W. Ingalls	9 00
W. H. Dodge	9 80
John Mann	1 00
A. J. Barton	11 16
Samuel E. McGlaufflin, setting edge stones	5 23
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	\$ 279 19

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR PERMANENT ROAD

Paid Mass. Broken Stone Co., crushed stone	\$ 26 14
John Mann, grade stakes	90
Geo. H. Gibney, supervising	96 00
Geo. M. Adams, on account of contract	1560 00
Barbour, Stockwell Co., catch basin covers	27 00
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	\$ 1710 04

ROLLER HOUSE

Paid George H. Gibney, grading	\$ 45 00
C. A. Peterson, balance of contract	53 00
A. T. Poole, painting	9 00
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	\$ 107 00

'SOLDIERS' RELIEF

Paid City of Beverly, aid for Catherine Andrews	\$119 30
Dr. C. W. Davis, medical attendance of J. Conant	9 00
Dr. S. E. Thayer, medical attendance R. Bridges and wife	16 50
Dr. S. E. Thayer, medical attendance J. Conant	14 00
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	\$158 80

POOR DEPARTMENT

Paid C. W. Dodge, board of Porter children	\$ 208 00
“ “ “ J. Bridges’ “	208 00
H. K. Dodge, groceries for E. Bridges	75 06
H. Boynton, rent for E. Bridges	40 00
Mary P. Dore, “ J. Bridges	6 00
Sarah B. Dodge, assistance	134 00
Frank Dane, board of Alvin Jowder	50 00
F. A. Smith, clothing	20 75
C. A. Hobbs, board of E. Trussell	182 00
City of Boston, assistance to Lucy Cheever	67 00
Commonwealth of Mass., burial of A. A. Fiske	22 14
E. L. Morse, assistance to travelers	2 50
William Crosby, supplies	19 42

Paid Salem Hospital, A. A. Dunnells	\$ 15 71
G. E. Safford, wood for E. Bridges	3 00
E. A. Whipple, care of tramps	100 00
I. F. Knowlton, assistance to travelers	10 00
Dr. Davis, attendance Dubusky family	15 00
Dr. S. E. Thayer, " " "	24 00
S. C. Gould, supplies " "	16 57
J. F. Smith, burial Dubusky child	10 00
R. Smith, rent E. Bridges' family	15 00
F. C. Norton, groceries for E. Bridges' family	15 83
T. B. Fall & Son, coal for E. Bridges' family	1 80

\$1,261 78

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Paid T. E. McGlauffin, services as janitor	\$ 25 00
" " washing truck	1 00
John Sauer, wood and coal	5 25
S. C. Gould, supplies	3 15
W. N. Sawyer, repairs	2 00
J. C. Underhill, coal	3 50
Anjie M. Adams, rent of land	15 00
A. C. Cummings, horses for department	11 00
Alvin Perley, setting glass	2 88
Amos Hatt, watching fire	4 00
Edward Merchant, " "	2 00

\$74 78

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

Paid Robert Robertson, repairs	\$ 1 30
E. L. Morse, janitor and extra labor	252 30
Pickett Coal Co., coal	159 33
F. C. Norton, supplies	48 49

Paid A. T. Poole, painting Town Hall	\$103 00
C. E. Whipple, manure	20 00
I. F. Knowlton, fertilizer	11 00

\$595 42

MISCELLANEOUS

Paid John Goodhue, supplies	\$ 23 88
Frost & Wood, printing town report	39 88
B. W. Adams, services for R. R. committee	8 00
George H. Gibney, twelve trips to Boston	36 00
“ “ four trips to Salem	8 00
“ “ one trip to Lynn	3 00
“ “ perambulating town lines	15 00
“ “ collector's book	1 00
Warren M. Sawyer, repairs	1 71
Everett Smith, stationery and postage	2 50
Metcalf & Ashton, surveying	21 81
Burnham Job Print, printing	10 00
S. E. McGlaflin, services for R. R. committee	11 00
Forest L. Evans, town counsel	225 00
Lovell & Co., police supplies	12 38
Dr. Austin Peters, stamping brand	1 75
J. F. Pope & Son, lumber for hay scales	6 76
Hamilton Veteran Association	20 00
J. L. Woodbury, repairs	1 75
“ “ labor on town books	3 00
Paid A. C. Cummings, carriage hire	30 90
H. E. Andrews, supplies	22 06
Dr. S. E. Thayer, journey to Boston	4 00
“ “ vaccinating 44 patients	22 00
“ “ return of 22 births	5 50
George T. Litchfield, care of town clock	25 00

Paid D. C. Smith, advertising	\$ 5 08
Carter Ink Co., ink	83
J. F. Smith, return of deaths	3 50
American Express, expressage	30
C. E. Whipple, posting warrants and delivering notices	11 00
Salem Evening News, advertising	10 13
J. L. Fairbanks & Co., stationery	3 50
Mrs. Grace C. Stone, copying	15 00
A. E. Potter, fire alarm whistle	50 00
“ “ repairs	16 95
C. A. Hills, supplies	1 68
A. T. Poole, painting	11 50
H. M. Meek Pub. Co., directory	3 00
D. D. Stone, three journeys to Boston	9 00
B. & M., freight	7 10
C. W. Appleton, grade stakes	1 25
“ “ stock and labor on bookcase	32 84
“ “ printing tax bills	5 00
“ “ postage	4 70
E. C. Tibbetts, care cemetery	62 90
L. E. Libby, four journeys to Boston	12 00
“ “ Boston tickets	13 05
Geo. C. Barton, photographs R. R. crossing	2 00
L. E. Libby, Justice of Peace	1 00
Frank P. Trussell, hay scales, stock and labor	25 94
Frank P. Trussell, labor at cemetery	1 78
Geo. W. Fitz, pump for cemetery	3 00
Geo. W. Tibbetts, repairs on road machine	10 00
W. F. Trowt, insurance on school houses	46 25
I. F. Knowlton, seven trips to Boston	21 00
“ “ one trip to Stoneham	5 00
“ “ postage and stationery	3 00
“ “ one journey to Lynn	3 00
“ “ perambulating town lines	15 00

Paid Geo. E. Safford, perambulating town lines	\$15 00
" " six journeys to Boston	18 00
W. F. Wheeler, snowplows	100 00
Howard Clock Co., repair town clock	8 89
D. E. Safford, postage	2 62
O. F. Brown, return of representative votes	2 00
O. F. Brown, dog licenses	2 00
" " express	2 25
" " stationery	3 25
" " administering oaths	1 75
" " journey to Boston	3 00
" " recording marriages	3 00
" " " births	13 00
" " " deaths	2 00

\$ 1155 92

SALARIES AND FEES

Paid Isaac F. Knowlton, services as	
selectman	\$ 100 00
assessor	100 00
overseer of poor	25 00
board of health	15 00
registrar of voters	12 50
committee on streets	25 00
election officer	5 00
Geo. H. Gibney, services as	
selectman	100 00
assessor	100 00
overseer of poor	25 00
board of health	15 00
registrar of voters	12 50
committee on streets	25 00

Paid Geo. E. Safford, services as	
selectman	\$ 100 00
assessor	100 00
overseer of poor	25 00
board of health	15 00
registrar of voters	12 50
committee on streets	25 00
election officer	5 00
C. A. Smerage, services as special police	3 00
C. E. Whipple, services as	
constable	17 00
liquor committee	10 00
election officer	5 00
A. T. Poole, services as	
constable	40 00
liquor committee	25 00
election officer	5 00
Geo. E. Roberts, services as	
constable	12 00
liquor committee	21 00
Chas. H. Smith, services as	
constable	12 00
liquor committee	15 00
A. J. Chandler, services as	
constable	38 00
liquor committee	20 00
quarantine of house	38 00
Geo. K. Knowlton, services as school	
committee	75 00
Albert L. Whipple, services as school	
committee	50 00
Jesse G. Nichols, services as school	
committee	50 00
O. F. Brown, town clerk	25 00
" " tree warden	24 10
" " registrar of voters	12 50
Daniel E. Safford, treasurer	100 00

Paid A. B. Towle, election officer	\$ 5 00
C. R. Holmes, teller	2 50
C. A. Hills, election officer	5 00
Geo. R. Dodge, inspector of animals	31 83
John L. Woodbury, election officer 1900 and 1901	10 00
C. W. Appleton, election officer	5 00
C. W. Appleton, services as collector for 1900	255 75
Andrew Haraden, auditor	15 00
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	\$ 1770 18

ABATEMENTS

TO CHAS. W. APPLETON, Collector.

Asbury Grove cottages	1899	\$ 16 20
“ “ “	1900	29 88
Alfred J. Smith poll		2 00
James Connoll, Jr. poll	1900	2 00
James Ganley poll		2 00
Estate of Harriet Rust personal		33 50
Benj. Whitehouse poll		2 00
George A. Whitehouse poll		2 00
James Parker personal		2 68
George H. Norman personal		4 02
Joshua Appleton poll	1901	2 00
Edward Babcock “		2 00
Wendall P. Dodge “		2 00
Sylvester Day real estate		66
John M. Case poll		2 00
Bailey Emerson “		2 00
A. D. Foster “		2 00
Wm. Hurley “		2 00
Thos. Kenny “		2 00
Thos. Mulhern “		2 00

Lewis W. Olmstead	poll	\$ 2 00
Richard Powers	"	2 00
Alfred J. Smith	"	2 00
Robert Sawyer	"	2 00
Joseph Shaugnessy	"	2 00
J. B. Woodbury	"	2 00
A. E. Whipple	"	2 00
George Webber	"	2 00
Benj. Whitehouse	"	2 00
George A. Whitehouse	"	2 00
Wm. Goodhue	real estate	40
Chas. W. Appleton	" "	1 65
Enoch Knowlton	" "	6 47

\$ 143 46

RECAPITULATION

Paid on Town Hall and School House loan	\$2150 00
interest on said loan	959 00
loan in anticipation of taxes	8000 00
interest on said loan	145 31
County tax	2188 83
State tax	1435 00
Constables' fees	13 80
Public Library appropriation	300 00
School warrants	6607 57
State aid	386 00
Military aid	66 00
Highway department	4,229 98
Roads and bridges	754 52
Removing snow	616 65
Extra appropriations	2714 36
Poor department	1261 78
Soldiers' Relief	158 80
Fire department	74 78
Town Hall expenses	595 42

Paid Miscellaneous	\$ 1155 92
Salaries and fees	1770 18
Abatements	143 46
Deposited in Ipswich Saving Bank for care of D. S. Allen's burial lot	300
Paid Repairs on State highway	328
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	\$36,030 63
Treasurer's receipts	\$41,743 17
" payments	36,031 43
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Balance in treasury	5,711 74
Due from Collector of Taxes for 1901	710 36
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Total balance in favor of town	\$6,422 10

The foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and Treasurer have this day been examined by me and all accounts found as stated.
E. & O. E.

ANDREW HARADEN, Auditor pro tem.

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON,	}	Selectmen of Hamilton.
GEO. H. GIBNEY,		
GEO. E. SAFFORD,		

Hamilton, March 3, 1902.

Report of Town Clerk for 1901

Received and paid Town Treasurer for sale of burial lots	\$ 70 00
Received and paid Town Treasurer for drug- gist's license	1 00
Received for dog licenses to 1901, and paid the County Treasurer	263 20
Recorded 15 marriages	
" 26 births	
" 12 deaths	

OTIS F. BROWN, Town Clerk.

Hamilton, February 22, 1902.

Assessors' Report

Number of polls	351
Tax on each poll	\$ 2 00
Value of personal estate	1,140,920 00
Value of buildings	792,750 00
Value of land	517,550 00
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Total value of assessed estate	\$ 2,451,220 00
Street railway excise tax	924 55
Total tax	17,817 51
Rate per thousand	6 60
Number of horses	453
" cows	325
Neat cattle other than cows	63
Number of sheep	252
" swine	55
" fowls	4250
" dwelling houses	783
" acres of land	9,465
" tax payers	644
" tax payers, poll only	146

List of Jurors

AS PREPARED BY THE SELECTMEN

Fred Berry	Charles W. Appleton
A. A. Whipple	George R. Dodge
J. C. Underhill	Samuel E. McGlauffin
Frank R. Shaller	Elbridge D. Lovett
Isaac F. Knowlton	Everett A. Smith
John L. Woodbury	George M. Adams
Frank Marshall	Daniel C. Smith
Clarence P. Roberts	Frank Dane 2d
Charles S. Gwinn	

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ESSEX SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Hamilton,

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton qualified to vote in the elections and town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March 1902, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz :

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 3. To hear the report of the Town Officers and act thereon.

Art. 4. Shall license be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Town of Hamilton for the year ensuing.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the purpose of observing Decoration Day by the soldiers of the rebellion.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to place street lights on Main Street where needed, and appropriate money for the same, as petitioned for by A. C. Dane and others.

Art. 7. To see what action the Town will take toward watering the State highway during the dry weather, and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to hire money under direction of the Selectmen, in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 9. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To appropriate money for repairs of highways, townways and bridges, and all other Town expenses, and to determine the manner of expending the same.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will authorize its Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer when appointed a Collector, may use, agreeable to Chapter 25, Section 75 of the Revised Laws.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will accept the provision of Sections 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25, Chapter 78 of the Revised Laws in relation to a Board of Cemetery Commissioners.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will accept the street known as Union Street, leading from Asbury to Linden Street, as laid out by selectmen.

Art. 14. To see what action the Town will take toward repairing the roof of the Town House, and appropriate a sum of money for the same.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will accept the Act of the Legislature, whereby Hamilton may supply itself and its inhabitants with water.

Art. 16. To determine what time tax bills shall be issued and taxes become due.

Art. 17. To see what action the Town will take toward revising the Town by-laws.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will accept the list of jurors as proposed and posted by the Selectmen.

Art. 19. To see what action the Town will take toward building sidewalks on Elliott Street and making appropriation for the same, as petitioned for by E. C. Hitchens and others.

Art. 20. To act on any other matter that may come legally before said meeting.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Meeting House and one at the Town Hall, and one at the store of L. E. Libby, in said town seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-sixth day of February 1902, A. D.

ISAAC F. KNOWLTON	} Selectmen of Hamilton
GEORGE H. GIBNEY	
GEORGE E. SAFFORD	

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND LIBRARIAN OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton:

The Trustees report the usual progress in all departments of the Library. The number of bound volumes issued is about the same as last year; the number of magazines greater. There is a tendency on the part of the patrons to read fiction to the neglect of other kinds of literature. A library made up largely of fiction is not of the greatest permanent value. Therefore the Trustees will adhere to their purpose to secure the best works on a large variety of subjects, notwithstanding the increasing demand for the most recent fiction. Many of the best books of general literature, biography, economics, history, poetry, religion, science and travel remain on the shelves unused. The Librarian has sought to create a demand for such books, as well as for standard fiction, by placing them in a conspicuous place in the delivery room where they may be examined.

More books have been purchased but fewer given than last year. A considerable portion of the money has been spent this year for the works of writers which are recognized as standards of literature, such as the works of poets and essayists. In the coming year a larger amount could be spent profitably for the same purpose, which would make the library of still greater value. An effort has been made to furnish certain books of general interest, which would be helpful as reference books for the public schools, study clubs and societies. To make the library of greater service, the Trustees are glad to receive suggestions in regard to the selection of books.

The librarian has continued the work on the card catalogue, and will issue a bulletin of recent accessions early in the year. It is hoped, however, that the patrons of the library will gain a better working knowledge of the card catalogue which may be used with great advantage to all,

The Delivery-room, which serves also as a Reading-room and Reference-room, is greatly over-crowded at times. If another room could be spared, it would be well to maintain a separate Reading-room, to be kept open several afternoons and evenings of each week. This would involve extra expense. Harper's Weekly, Harper's Monthly, The Century, Scribner's, The Youth's Companion, The New England Magazine, The Review of Reviews, The Atlantic, McClure's, Munsey's, The World's Work, St. Nicholas, The Forester, Bird Lore, Practical Politics and the Vegetarian have appeared regularly on the tables, and numerous other magazines and periodicals have come as gifts.

The Woman's Education Society of Boston has promised a loan exhibition of Authors' photographs, similar to the views of London, exhibited two years ago.

The Trustees are indebted to the following citizens of Hamilton for special gifts: The W. C. T. U. through Mrs. S. M. Gorham; Mrs. G. K. Knowlton, Mrs. C. G. Rice and Mrs. James Gwinn; and Mr. Horace E. Andrews for the use of his store as a delivery station at South Hamilton.

The Trustees recommend the appropriation of four hundred dollars for the ensuing year.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

STATISTICS

Total number of volumes March 1, 1901	2690
“ “ “ added	206
“ “ “ March 1, 1902	2896
Number of volumes of fiction issued	4851
“ “ “ history and travel	132
“ “ “ biography	59
“ “ “ miscellaneous	271
Total number of bound volumes issued	5313
“ “ “ magazines issued	714
“ “ “ bound volumes and magazines	6027
Number of cards issued during the year	101
“ “ “ since Library opened	1045
Fines collected during year	\$ 4 75

GIFTS

	Bound Volumes	Pamphlets and Unbound Volumes
Hon. A. P. Gardner	49	
Mrs. C. G. Rice		4
Mrs. C. G. Rice, parcel of magazines.		
Mrs. James Gwinn		7
Mrs. S. M. Gorham	1	
Ellen Mudge Burrill	1	
Mr. Barton	1	
Town of Topsfield		1
Town of Merrimac		1
Rev. J. G. Nichols	1	
Rev. J. G. Nichols, parcel of pamphlets.		
Mrs. G. K. Knowlton, papers.		
Public Documents		9
Miscellaneous Magazines and Pamphlets		35
Forester, 1 year	Amateur Work	
Bird Lore, 1 year	Christian Work, 6 months	
Vegetarian, 1 year.		

GRACE C. STONE, Librarian.

TREASURER'S REPORT

AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER, Treasurer, in account with the Trustees
of the Public Library of the Town of Hamilton, Mass.

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1901

March 1. Balance on hand	\$ 296 39
Nov. 1. Appropriation by town for Library	300 00
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	\$ 596 39

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1901

June	12.	Cong'l S. S. & Pub. Society, books	\$38 94
	12.	Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, "	27 28
	12.	Little, Brown & Co., "	13 79
	12.	Library Bureau, book covers	8 60
	12.	Grace C. Stone, Librarian	31 50
	12.	Jesse G. Nichols, sundries	3 39
	19.	Beverly News Co., magazines	27 95
	19.	L. Barrett, transportation	4 40
Sept.	17.	Grace C. Stone, Librarian	25 00
	17.	Edward L. Perley, binding books	18 40
	17.	Cong'l S. S. & Pub. Society, books	11 09
	17.	A. N. Webb & Co., library cards	5 75
	17.	Harry W. Smith, transportation	1 60
	17.	Harris' Express, expressage	1 00
Dec.	11.	Jesse G. Nichols, sundries	3 46
	14.	Henry M. Meek Pub. Co., directory	3 00
	14.	Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books	10 63
	14.	Cong'l S. S. & Pub. Society, "	63 66
	14.	Grace C. Stone, Librarian	25 00

1902

March	1.	Grace C. Stone, Librarian	25 00
	1.	A. C. Cummings, transportation	14 50
	1.	Beverly Citizen Co., cards and printing	1 15
	1.	Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, books	4 16
		Balance in hands of Treasurer	227 14

 \$ 596 39

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AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER,

Treasurer of Trustees.

Hamilton, Mass., March 1, 1902.

JESSE G. NICHOLS,	}	Trustees of the Public Library.
GEORGE v. L. MEYER,		
AUGUSTUS P. GARDNER,		

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF HAMILTON
1901 - 1902



BEVERLY, MASS.:
THE CITIZEN PRINTING COMPANY
1902

School Committee's Report

Annual report of the School Committee of the Town of Hamilton, 1901-1902 :

ORGANIZATION

George K. Knowlton, chairman,	Term expires 1904
Rev. Jesse G. Nichols, secretary,	“ “ 1903
Dr. Albert L. Whipple, purchasing agent,	“ “ 1902
Truant Officer—Alden J. Chandler.	

REPORT

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

(Closed Feb. 20, 1902)

Amount appropriated by the town for schools	\$4,800 00
Tuition High School pupils	960 00
Transportation of scholars	600 00
Repairing East school room	300 00
Painting North school house	50 00
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Town appropriation	\$6,710 00
Dog licenses	220 61
Mass. school fund	588 08
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	\$7,518 69
Paid for teachers	\$3,204 34
fuel	333 86
care of houses	415 00
text books and supplies	416 23
miscellaneous	255 42
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	\$4,624 85

 ACCOUNT MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL FUND

Amount received	\$588 08	
Paid teachers	200 00	
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Amount unexpended and carried over to 1902-3		\$388 08

PAID TEACHERS

Miss Lizzie E. Hadley	\$178 00	
“ Adelaide A. Keith	456 00	
“ Mary E. Batchelder	460 00	
“ Effie M. Cheney	422 00	
“ Klara J. Olsson	377 00	
“ Nellie G. Cutting	380 00	
“ Carrie E. Robie	380 00	
“ Eva C. Sanborn	230 00	
Mrs. Grace C. Stone	380 00	
“ M. Eva Robinson	141 34	
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		\$3,404 34

PAID FOR FUEL

The Pickett Coal Co.,	\$253 23	
J. C. Underhill	13 75	
M. K. Patch	18 38	
Isaac F. Knowlton	16 50	
Jonathan Lamson	15 00	
Charles S. Gwinn	17 00	
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		\$333 86

PAID FOR CARE OF SCHOOL HOUSES

Fred C. Shaller,	South school	\$332 50	
Sylvester Day,	East “	18 00	
Albert T. Hart	West “	23 75	
J. F. McGregor,	North “	19 75	
C. E. Gwinn,	Centre “	21 00	
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			\$415 00

PAID FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES

J. L. Hammett Co.	\$255 40
Ginn & Co.	50 05
American Book Co.	23 33
Edward E. Babb & Co.	8 25
D. C. Heath & Co.	72 22
M. E. Robinson	1 58
Massachusetts Bible Society	5 40

 \$416 23

MISCELLANEOUS

The Frost & Wood Press, printing	\$ 10 50
Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, school room supplies	6 55
Emery Lawrence, grading Centre school yard	3 00
Asa H. Jewett, expressage	45
A. C. Cummings, carriage, freight and express	20 51
Albert T. Hart, labor and sanitary work	4 00
B. F. Hill, boiler room supplies	1 75
L. Channel, cleaning school house	6 50
J. Pitman, " "	5 50
E. A. Day, " "	3 50
Spencer Regulator Co., repairing steam regu- lator	3 90
Robert Robertson, repairs in school room	1 47
George C. Ryerson, setting glass	5 00
F. C. Shaller, school room supplies	1 50
B. W. Adams, setting trees and protectors	7 35
George W. Fitz, supplies and labor in boiler room	9 10
Woodward & Ober, school room supplies	5 00
A. E. Potter, stock for tree protectors	4 55
George K. Knowlton, school committee room supplies	6 00

Amount carried forward,

\$106 13

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$106 13
J. F. Porter, repairs on school houses	\$11 00	
B. W. Adams, labor on Centre school yard	1 50	
C. A. Peterson, stock and labor on school houses	15 91	
Roy W. Whipple, labor on North school yard	75	
S. C. Gould, school room supplies	4 02	
J. F. Dean, stove and repairing	37 73	
F. C. Norton, school room supplies	13 56	
A. W. Chandler, services as truant officer	6 00	
Albert L. Whipple, purchasing agent	15 00	
“ “ expressage school supplies	13 07	
J. G. Nichols, extra work and cash paid	2 99	
George K. Knowlton, extra school work, repairs, cash paid out	17 76	
“ “ taking school census	10 00	
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		\$255 42

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Appropriation for tuition of scholars		\$960 00
Paid City of Beverly	\$780 00	
Town of Ipswich	80 00	
A. L. Whipple, pupil in Salem High School	20 00	
John McCaughn	20 00	
A. C. Dane	20 00	
Fannie S. Preston	20 00	
A. W. Chandler	20 00	
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		\$960 00

TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOLARS

Appropriation		\$600 00
Paid B. & M. R. R. Co.	\$278 20	
Lynn & Boston St. Ry. Co.	120 00	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$398 20

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$398 20
A. L. Whipple	18 70	
John McCaughn	18 70	
A. C. Dane	18 70	
Fannie S. Preston	18 70	
A. W. Chandler	17 10	
Charles S. Gwinn	11 00	
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		\$501 10
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Balance unexpended		\$98 90

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		\$350 00
Paid Chandler Desk Co., desks and black-		
boards for East school room	\$119 38	
C. A. Peterson, stock and labor	102 92	
George C. Ryerson, painting	34 35	
B. & M. R. R. Co., freight	6 27	
A. T. Poole, painting North school house	50 00	
George K. Knowlton, time and cash		
paid out	8 70	
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		\$321 62
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Balance unexpended		\$28 38

GROSS RECEIPTS FOR ALL SCHOOL PURPOSES

Appropriation for schools	\$4,800 00	
Special appropriation	350 00	
Tuition High School scholars	960 00	
Transportation of scholars	600 00	
Dog licenses	220 61	
Mass. school fund	588 08	
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		\$7,518 69

GROSS EXPENSE FOR ALL SCHOOL PURPOSES

Paid for teachers	\$3,404 34
fuel	333 86
care of houses	415 00
school supplies	416 23
miscellaneous	255 42
tuition High School scholars	960 00
transportation of scholars	501 10
special appropriation work	321 62
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	\$6,607 57
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Balance unexpended	\$911 12

More than one-half of the large balance on hand comes from two sources: viz., a very large amount received from the Massachusetts school fund, and nearly one hundred dollars saved from the transportation fund on account of a number of scholars having left school.

PUPILS ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOL

BEVERLY

Annie McGlauffin, entered Sept. 1898, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	\$40 00
Mary A. Southwick, entered Sept. 1898, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Laura Dodge, entered Sept. 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Judson S. Bradstreet, entered Sept. 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Paul R. Smith, entered Sept. 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$200 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$200 00
Bernice J. Andrews, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Hazel E. Weston, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Helen H. Dodge, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Clara E. Chandler, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Blanche C. Ferguson, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Lillian A. McGlaufflin, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Sylvia Robinson, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Douglas H. Knowlton, entered Sept. 1900, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
George T. Copp, entered Sept. 1901, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Mabel L. Peterson, entered Sept. 1901, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Rua A. Chandler, entered Sept. 1901, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Lilla C. Bradstreet, entered Sept. 1901, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Myra A. Sawyer, entered Sept. 1901, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Charita W. Vennard, entered Sept. 1901, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Clara D. Haraden, entered Sept. 1901, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
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	\$800 00
Pupils in the graduating class, Annie McGlaufflin, Mary A. Southwick.	

IPSWICH

Maud L. Smith, entered Sept. 1899, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	\$ 40 00
George H. Dodge, entered Sept. 1901, tuition one year to July 1, 1902	40 00
Ralph E. Hichens, entered Sept. 1901, tuition Dec. 20, 1901	16 00
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	\$ 96 00

SALEM

Olive L. Whipple,	Henrietta F. Andrews,
Louise S. Preston,	Mattie W. Dane,
Helen M. Gwinn.	

TUITION ALLOWED FOR PUPILS ATTENDING SALEM
HIGH SCHOOL

Albert L. Whipple, one year to July 1, 1902	\$ 40.00
John McCaughn, " " "	40 00
Fannie S. Preston, " " "	40 00
Arthur C. Dane, " " "	40 00
Charles S. Gwinn, " " "	40 00
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	\$ 200 00

ESTIMATE FOR SCHOOLS

Following is an estimate of the amount of money that will be needed for all public school purposes for the year 1902-3.

Amount needed for our own schools	\$ 4,700 00
tuition high school pupils	1,096 00
transportation of scholars	650 00
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	\$ 6,446 00

INSURANCE

Insurance has been renewed on four school houses in the Cambridge Mutual Fire Insurance Company, Cambridgeport, Mass, as follows :—

On Centre school house	\$ 900 00
“ North “ “	700 00
“ East “ “	700 00
“ West “ “	700 00
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Amount of insurance	\$ 3,000 00

Expires May 12, 1904.

Net cost of insurance \$46.25. Paid on order of Selectmen.

Insurance on the South school house will expire February 3, 1903.

	Cost of Insurance	
Insured in Northwestern National Ins. Co. of Milwaukee, Wis.,	\$4,000 00	\$102 00
Insured in Mercantile Fire and Marine Ins. Co., Boston, Mass.,	4,000 00	102 00
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Amount of insurance and net cost,	\$ 8000 00	\$ 204 00

REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER

To the School Committee of Hamilton :

Gentlemen :—I have attended to my duty as truant officer, having notified several parents to send their children to school, and have looked after scholars in regard to attending school.

Respectfully yours,

* ALDEN J. CHANDLER.

Hamilton, Feb. 14, 1902.

SCHOOL CENSUS

Whole number of children in town between
5 and 15 years of age, September 1,

1901, Boys	131
Girls	121
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252

Between 7 and 14 years of age

Boys	85
Girls	86
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171

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1901-1902

FALL TERM	WINTER TERM	SPRING TERM
1901	1901-1902	1902
Opens Sept. 3	Opens Dec. 2	Opens March 28
Closes Nov. 22	Closes March 14	Closes June 20
12 Weeks	14 Weeks	12 Weeks

STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 14, 1901 Length of the School Year 38 Weeks

SCHOOLS	TEACHERS	Annual Salaries	Pupils Enrolled	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average attendance	Percentage of attendance	Between ages of 5 and 15	Between ages of 7 and 14	Over 15 years of age	Under 5 years of age
South Grammar	Adelaide A. Keith	\$456	29	29	25	23	93	21	11	8	0
" Intermediate	Mary E. Batchelder	450	35	34	33	31	95	35	35	0	0
" Second Primary	Lizzie E. Hadley	450	37	37	32	28	88	37	37	0	0
" First Primary	Rhffie M. Cheney	380	55	55	48	42	87	55	21	0	0
Centre, ungraded	{ Eva C. Sanborn										
" "	{ Alice R. Power	380	25	27	22	20	89	25	20	0	0
" "	{ Klara J. Olsson										
East,	Nelly G. Cutting	380	22	22	21	20	92	22	19	0	0
West,	Carrie E. Robie	380	35	23	22	20	92	35	25	0	0
North,	Grace C. Stone	380	22	20	17	14	83	21	14	1	0
Teacher of Music	M. Eva Robinson	144									

ROLL OF HONOR

For the school year ending June 14, 1901.

SOUTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Scholars who were perfect in attendance.

Fall term:—Clara D. Haraden, Mabel L. Peterson, Elsie M. Peterson, Charita W. Vennard, Oliver F. Kilham, Lawrence H. Striley, Finlay D. McDonald.

Winter term:—Mabel L. Peterson, Charita W. Vennard, Lawrence H. Striley, Joseph L. Roberts.

Spring term:—Mabel L. Peterson, Elsie M. Peterson, Clara D. Haraden, Annie P. Carey.

SOUTH INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

Fall term:—Mary E. Potter, Ella W. Chandler, Chester D. Gibney, William R. Chandler.

Winter term:—Mary E. Potter, May C. Wright.

Spring term:—Mary E. Potter, Ella W. Chandler, Cedric B. McGlaufflin.

SOUTH SECOND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Fall term:—Christie M. Hall, Viola L. Striley, Raymond G. Clarke, Waller A. Richardson.

Spring term:—Christie M. Hall, Bertha E. Abbott, Jerome L. Mears.

SOUTH FIRST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Fall term:—Eleanor G. Peterson, James N. Gibney, Dorothy Smith.

Winter term:—Clarence Tinkham.

Spring term:—Sadie L. Abbott.

EAST SCHOOL

Fall term: Bertha E. Hinckley, Frank P. Day.

Winter term:—Bertha E. Hinckley, Elizabeth M. Babcock, Martha W. Dodge, Frank P. Day.

Spring term:—Frank P. Day, Elizabeth M. Babcock, Sarah A. Colesworthy.

WEST SCHOOL

Fall term:—Annie M. Hart, Katherine K. Hart, Nellie Hart.

Winter term:—Nellie Hart, Annie M. Hart, Francis J. Hart.

Spring term:—Annie M. Hart, Nellie Hart, Francis J. Hart.

CLOSE OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

The school year of 1900-1901 opened September 4, 1900, with the following teachers: South School—grammar, Miss Adelaide A. Keith; intermediate, Miss Mary E. Batchelder; second primary, Miss Lizzie E. Hadley; first primary, Miss Effie M. Cheney.

Centre School—Miss Eva C. Sanborn; East—Miss Nelly G. Cutting; West—Miss Carrie E. Robie; North—Mrs. Grace C. Stone.

NORTH SCHOOL

Mrs. Stone was transferred from the Centre school to the North school where she had taught several previous years. The school is small and has but ten pupils over nine years of age but it is a very orderly and studious school and has done good work during the year.

WEST SCHOOL

Miss Robie has been continued in this school another year, and has given universal satisfaction in her management of it. She has obtained best results from her scholars, and developed as well as possible the various mental powers under her care. Five of her scholars have passed on to ninth grade work at the South grammar school.

EAST SCHOOL

Miss Cutting has had a successful year in this school and three of her scholars have passed on to the highest grammar grade work.

Unfortunately for this school its numbers are diminishing and the inspiration which comes of large classes is lost. This school

seems destined to become the smallest in town for the present.

But the teacher is doing excellent work, and the progress made is very commendable.

CENTRE SCHOOL

This school has suffered from adverse circumstances which were unavoidable. At the opening of the school year in September Miss Sanborn was placed in charge of the school. Her previous experience of four years' teaching fitted her well for the work of this school, and she entered at once upon her duties in a business manner. After a few weeks' service she was taken sick and was finally obliged to give up her school.

Miss Klara J. Olsson, a graduate of the Boston Normal school, was engaged to complete the work of the year.

As several substitutes had been placed in the school its progress had been retarded, and to do anything like first class work in the winter term was very difficult. But Miss Olsson soon brought the school into good condition, and at the close of the year in June she had made fairly good progress with her scholars and the committee are glad to commend her for her faithful service.

SOUTH SCHOOLS

FIRST PRIMARY

Miss Cheney has succeeded well with this school, and the children have enjoyed the companionship of their new teacher.

The school is large and commands all the primary teaching powers of its instructor.

The school has had a profitable year, and the teacher is entitled to much credit for her faithful work.

SECOND PRIMARY

Miss Hadley did faithful work in this school throughout the year. The fourth grade, however, fell below the required standard at the end of the year, so that the committee could not promote some of the scholars except conditionally, thereby equalizing approximately the number of scholars in the two rooms, as scholars promoted from Grade IV were to pass into the intermediate room. The committee feel that the failure of these

scholars in their work is due to themselves rather than to the teacher.

Soon after the close of the school Miss Hadley informed the committee that she had accepted a higher position elsewhere, and it was with reluctance that the committee parted with her after five years of faithful service.

INTERMEDIATE

Miss Batchelder has put in some hard work during the year in this school and has succeeded in fitting most of her scholars for promotion. The larger part of the sixth grade pass on to seventh grade work in the upper room.

The work of the year has been quite successful although with a good deal of anxiety on the part of the teacher for the advancement of her scholars. Her ambition has been to attain the highest possible results in the work of the school.

GRAMMAR

The completion of scholarship in our own schools falls upon the teacher of the grammar school. Fortunately we have in our present teacher, Miss Keith, one who has had a life long experience in this work.

It is no easy matter to take between thirty and forty scholars in three grades and fit them for promotion, the ninth grade being fitted to pass an examination for entrance to High School. Unless pupils put in faithful and constant work they are liable to fall behind in the intellectual race.

It will be much better for this school if the time shall come when the seventh grade can be taken out of it. The work of the year has been very satisfactory.

Following is the program of the graduating exercises, class of 1901, held at Town Hall, Friday afternoon, June 14, at 2 o'clock.

PROGRAM

March,
Invocation,
Salute to the Flag,
Chorus, "Friendship"

Mrs. M. Eva Robinson
Rev. A. D. Gorham
School
Mozart

Essay, "Millet and the Angelus"	Clara D. Haraden
Duet, "Redis Encore" <i>Eilenberg</i>	{ Mabel L. Peterson May E. Shaller
Recitation, "Thoughts of Youth"	<i>Longfellow</i>
Chorus, "The Happy Miller"	<i>Veazie</i>
Vocal Polka, "Merry June"	Peterson Sisters
Recitation, "Vision of Sir Launfal" <i>Lowell</i>	Graduating Class
Chorus, "Anchored"	<i>Watson</i>
Essay, "Our National Songs and Song Writers"	George T. Copp
Presentation of Diplomas,	Chairman School Committee
Chorus, "Flag of the Free"	<i>Wagner</i>
Benediction,	Rev. J. G. Nichols
Musical Director, Mrs. M. Eva Robinson.	
Pianist, Miss Effie M. Cheney.	

NAMES OF GRADUATES

George Thomas Copp	Charita Waters Vennard
Clara Derby Haraden	Lilla Cheever Bradstreet
Ralph Edward Hichens	Rua Adaline Chandler
Mabel Luella Peterson	George Henry Dodge
Myra Ann Sawyer	Annie Paige Carey

CLASS MOTTO

"Who does his best, acts nobly; angels could do no more."

MUSIC AND DRAWING

The musical department of our schools has been in charge of Mrs. M. Eva Robinson during the year.

Mrs. Robinson visits nearly all the schools once each week, spending half an hour or more in each school teaching the scholars, assisting the teacher in her work and assigning lessons for the week.

While the time at our command for music instruction is very limited, the progress made in the several schools this year has been good.

Mrs. Robinson is a thorough master of her work and knows how to develop all the latent musical power in her pupils.

Teachers' meetings have been held every month during the school year in order to keep all the schools in touch in their various studies and work.

A meeting was held April 8, at which Mr. Henry T. Bailey, agent for the State Board of Education, gave the teachers some valuable and interesting instruction in drawing.

In the absence of a special teacher in drawing our teachers have been doing some very commendable initiatory work.

The work of the school year which closed June 14, 1901, is now a thing of the past. Whatever its successes and failures have been they are written indelibly on the page of passing time. The effect of that work, in some measure at least, will go on with each life, and must be inseparably connected with it as long as that life shall last. In the school life we are specially dealing with those embryo powers of the mind which are, in their higher development, able to subdue, direct and control the mighty forces of nature and make them subservient to the best interests of man; and not this alone, but the possibilities of the crowning glory of all in the harmonious unity of the intellectual, moral and spiritual life. If we can but lay hold of these great truths, in all our school work we may use our failures to attain to a desired ideal as an incentive to higher and stronger effort, and thus the mind and heart may ever be turned toward the noblest and best in life.

PREPARATORY WORK FOR 1901-1902.

During the summer vacation the North school buildings and fence were painted. The East school room was thoroughly repaired. A new floor was laid, new adjustable desks and slate blackboards were put in and the room painted.

Teachers selected for the school year beginning September 3: South school—grammar, Miss Adelaide A. Keith; intermediate, Miss Mary E. Batchelder; second primary, Miss Effie M. Cheney; first primary, Miss Klara J. Olsson.

East school—Miss Nelly G. Cutting. West—Miss Carrie E. Robie. Centre—Miss Eva C. Sanborn. North—Mrs. Grace C. Stone.

Music teacher—Mrs. M. Eva Robinson.

The committee has long recognized the necessity of changing our text book in grammar. Quite a number of books issued by different publishers have during the past three years been examined. Selection has been made of Hyde's Two-Book Course in English, as being a text book admirably adapted to the need of our schools. This book was introduced at the opening of the school year. It has proved to be an excellent work and is much liked by teachers and scholars.

The school year opened under the management of trained and efficient teachers, and good work is being done in all our schools at the present time.

The committee has for several years been hard at work to keep our schools up with the advancing educational work of the times. But it has not always been easy nor pleasant to change existing conditions for the new and improved. It is passing strange that some few parents seem to have no appreciation of services by committee or teachers for the best welfare of their children, but count them as enemies of the scholars. However, the work of improvement has gone steadily forward, and much has been done for the benefit of our pupils.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Following is an extract from Chapter 248, Acts of 1900. Part of section 1. The school committee of each town or city in the Commonwealth may, and after July first in the year nineteen hundred and two shall, employ at the expense of the town or city a superintendent of schools, who under the direction and control of the committee shall have the care and supervision of the public schools.

Section 2. The school committees of towns the valuation of which is less than two million five hundred thousand dollars may, and after July first in the year nineteen hundred and two shall, form unions under the provisions of chapter four hundred and sixty-six of the acts of the year eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

While the committee have made many improvements in our schools the work is not complete and there is yet much to be done. We hope that when the new school district shall be established, that a good and faithful superintendent, one who will not try to get the largest amount of money for the least passable service rendered, will be employed.

He should be above all mercenary motives, having an inherent desire to do the best things and in the best way.

The District Committee should be careful to select a superintendent who has had several years' experience in that special work, and who can furnish the best of references. It is not enough to have been graduated at some college or to have taught school. These may be essential to some extent, but with these alone a superintendent might be a complete failure.

There are many things connected with the successful directing of the public schools that require something more than mere book knowledge, and though one may have a natural talent as an educational and business director, he must have practical experience for its development, and without which all his service is purely experimental. Let us have the best.

The school buildings are in fairly good condition and will not need any large amount of money expended on them this year.

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